

Argonaut Rowing Club

Learn to Row/OarBoard

Instructor

Overview of Program

Introductory Programs are designed to introduce people to the sport of rowing. These programs include Learn to Row and Oarboard rentals. The Learn to Row program teaches rowing and/or sculling, in large boats. It is the main entry point for new members to the club and works to foster an appreciation for rowing.

Each Adult Learn to Row session covers 10 hours of coaching over the span of 2 or 3 weeks, depending on the schedule located [on the Argonaut website](#). Each session will require one coach and up to 2 coxswains, depending on the number of participants.

Junior Learn to Row sessions run for a complete month, with lessons twice a week for two hours each. Staffing for this program will depend on the number of participants and staffing needs.

Corporate events are based on the Learn to Row program. These are ad hoc events which require at least one coach and one coxswain. Staffing depends on number of participants.

Coaching positions are for those with previous coaching experience and coxswain positions are for those who have rowed in coxed boats or bowed quads.

Additionally, there may be opportunities to instruct group oarboard events, corporate Learn-to-Row events and Youth Learn to Row should staffing be required. Each OarBoard session will be a unique group booking. The on water portion will be 1-2 hours and if weather does not allow, instructors will lead indoor activities. OarBoard sessions will involve one coach and at least one coxswain.

Overview of Positions

- **Lead LTR Coach**
 - Responsible for all 10 hours of a particular Learn to Row session, or, if not available for all hours, then a separate schedule can be worked out on a case-by-case basis
 - Usually in a coach boat, coaching up to two crews of eights

- **Coxswains**

- Responsible for all 10 hours of a particular Learn to Row session, or, if not available for all hours, then a separate schedule can be worked out on a case-by-case basis. Assistance in finding a replacement is required
- Usually in the coxswain's seat, but may be a bow-seat in a quad
- **Oarboard Instructor**
 - Responsible for the duration of the Oarboard rental
 - In a coach boat, monitoring participants for safety and leading activities as appropriate to the group

Qualifications Required

- Comprehensive knowledge of rowing
- RCA LTR Instructor coaching course completed (training will be provided)
- Superior customer service experience
- Strong communication and organizational skills
- Flexibility and ability to work hard
- Willingness to get directly involved in ARC activities and programs
- Self-motivated / willing to take initiative / problem-solver
- Ability to work independently, with minimal supervision
- First Aid, CPR, Pleasure Craft Operator's Permit, and Toronto Port Authority Operator's Permit are an asset; training will be provided by Club otherwise
- Bronze Cross an asset

Start/end dates; Hours of work

The overall season begins April 29 and ends October 7. Individual start and end dates will depend on the sessions you will be coaching/coxing. Check [this schedule](#). Hours of work can be flexible and desired number of hours will be asked if interviewed.

Compensation

- Lead Coach/OB coach: \$18.75/hr.
- Coxswain/assistant OB coach: \$16.75/hr.

Application Deadline:

March 19 2023

Please email learntorow@argonautrowingclub.com with your resume and a cover letter providing information on your rowing experience, coaching experience, desired position (coach or coxie), why you'd be interested in helping out the Learn to Row program this year. Please put "LTR Instructor" in the subject line.

Please note: we thank all applicants in advance, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. All qualified candidates will be considered but priority may be given to applicants with disabilities, Aboriginal applicants, visible minorities, LGBTQ2 applicants, or those who have not previously been employed and for whom this would be their first job experience.

